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## AMENDMENT AND REPLY

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2006, Applicant submits herewith the following response and a petition for a three-month extension of time, extending the period for response to September 17, 2006.